

**Table B-20b. Standard errors for educational activity between degree completion and the survey reference week among 1999 and 2000 science and engineering master's degree recipients, by major field of degree: April 2001**

Major field of 1999-2000 S&E master's degree	Total	Educational activity between completion of 1999-2000 S&E master's degree and the week of April 15, 2001			
		Completed additional degree	Did not complete degree but took college courses		Did not take college courses
			In degree program	Not in degree program	
All science and engineering fields.....	5,036	451	2,099	1,126	3,399
Total science.....	5,051	418	2,082	1,088	3,422
Computer and information sciences.....	1,716	S	477	552	1,280
Life and related sciences, total.....	1,564	S	1,053	S	756
Agricultural and food sciences.....	410	S	S	S	342
Biological sciences.....	1,422	S	1,012	S	634
Environmental life sciences including forestry science.....	375	S	S	S	307
Mathematical and related sciences.....	527	S	316	S	371
Physical and related sciences, total.....	525	S	392	S	332
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	393	S	240	S	241
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	224	S	159	S	211
Physics and astronomy.....	282	S	219	S	136
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	3,531	S	1,154	744	2,578
Social and related sciences, total.....	1,306	S	723	404	979
Economics.....	537	S	345	S	355
Political science and related sciences.....	699	S	325	S	582
Sociology and anthropology.....	568	S	344	S	402
Other social sciences.....	990	S	396	S	772
Total engineering.....	1,331	189	721	321	1,106
Aerospace and related engineering.....	150	S	94	S	100
Chemical engineering.....	210	S	123	S	159
Civil and architectural engineering.....	521	S	S	S	431
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	982	S	395	S	824
Industrial engineering.....	268	S	S	S	273
Mechanical engineering.....	406	S	230	S	408
Other engineering.....	650	S	299	S	595

**KEY:** S = Estimates with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

**SOURCE:** National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2001